Dayr Mari Mina Symposium (February 8-12, 2015)

Sunday, February 8

8:30 Departure from Sonesta Hotel, Visit to the Library of Alexandria.

Arrival at Dayr Mari Mina and room distribution

Monday, February 9

7:30 Breakfast

Christianity and Monasticism west of Alexandria

8:30 Bishop Kyrollos: *The History of the Present Dayr Mari Mina*

9:00 Fr. Taddaeus: *Saint Kyrollos (Pope Kyrollos VI): His Veneration in the Monastery of St.

Menas and in Old Cairo*

9:30 el-Gendi, SherinSadek: *St. Menas Monastery in Arabic Sources*

10:00 Ghattas, Mary: *Notes on the 'Enaton' after the Arab Conquest and Its Localization*

10:30 Coffee

11:00 Ishak, Engy: *The Cult of Saint Thekla in Late Antique Egypt and the Call for Female Asceticism*

11:30 Tarara, Daria: *Highlights from the Polish Excavations at Marea/Philoxenite 2000-2014*

Christianity and Monasticism in the North

12:00 Bishop Apollo: *Christianity and Monasticism in Sinai*

12:30 Goehring, James:*Pachomians in Lower Egypt*

1:00 Lunch

2:30 Sheridan, Mark: *Nitria*

3:00 Fr. John Paul AbdelSayed: *St. John of Parallos*

3:30 al-Suriany, Fr. Bigoul: *The History of the Coptic Dioceses in the Delta during the 20th

Century*

4:00 Coffee

4:30 Bishop Martyros: *St. Barsum the Naked and His Veneration at al-Ma'sara (DayrShahran)* 5:00 Schroeder, Caroline:*Dead Heretics amongst the Living Saints: The Discovery of the Papyri from Turah at Dayr al-Qusayr (DayrArsaniyus) and Its Legacy*

7:00 Dinner

Tuesday, February 10

6:00- 8:00 Mass and Visit to the Ancient Pilgrimage Center of Abu Mina

8:00- 9:00 Breakfast

9:00-10:30 Opening of the symposium (Pope Tawadros II)

Art and Architecture

10:30 Innemée, Karel: *Art in Kellia*

11:00 van Loon, Gertrud:*Art in the Churches of Old Cairo* (45 minutes)

12:00 Alfy, Nader: *Saint Menas in Coptic Art*

12:30: Coffee

Coptic Education

1:00 Bishop Epiphanius: *Beginning of Reform in the Educational and Cultural Institutions of the Coptic Church in the Patriarchate of H. H. Tawadros II*
1:30 Shaker, Sami Sabri: *The Higher Institute of Coptic Studies: Past, Present and Future*

2:00 Ayad, Mariam:*Coptic Studies at AUC. A progress report*

2:30 Lunch

Holy Family

4:00 Isma'il, Shaza: *How to Promote Tourism via the Route of the Flight into Egypt?*

4:30 Sadek, Ashraf: *The Relationship between the Traditions of Holy Family and the Development of Christianity in the Delta*

Liturgy:

5:00 Awad, Magdi: *Towards Critical Editions for the Coptic Liturgical Books: The Case of the Coptic Psalmody*

5:30 Coffee

7:00 Dinner

Wednesday, February 11

7:30 Breakfast

Coptic Language and Literature

8:30 Zakrzewska, Ewa: *Bohairic Martyrs Acts *

9:00 van der Vliet, Jacques:*The inscriptions from Kellia*

9:30 Feder, Frank: *TheBashmurite Revlots and the 'Bashmuric Dialect'*

10:00 Saweros, Ibrahim: *Perception of St. Athanasius of Alexandria in Later Coptic Literature*

Coffee: 10:30

11:00 Youssef, YouhannaNessim: *The Martyrdom of John and Simon (from Lower Egypt) ascribed to Julius of Akfahs*

Copto-Arabic and Geez Literatures

11:30 Tsuji, Asuka: *St. Hadid, a Thirteenth-Fourteenth-Century Saint*

12:00 Takla, Hany: *Unedited Arabic Manuscript of the Miraculous Works of St Menas*

12:30 Wadi, Fr. Awad: * Butrus al-Sadmanti*

1:00 Lunch

2:30 Sidarus, Adel: *A Leading Figure from the Delta in the Beginning of the Medieval Coptic Renaissance: Bishop Yuhanna al-Samannudi (*fl.* 1st half of the 13th cent.)*
3:00Abraha, Tedros: *Prelates and translators. The contribution of Egyptian Metropolites in Ethiopia to the growth of Geez written heritage*

Patriarchs and patriarchal Residences

3:30 Brakke, David: *The Relationship between the Monks of Kellia and the Patriarchs of the Egyptian Church*

4:00 Naguib, Atef: *The patriarchal Residences after Alexandria*

4:30 Coffee

5:00 Fakhry, Adel: *The History of Dayr al-Khandaq/AnbaRuways and the Cathedral of St Mark*

Documentation and Preservation

5:30 Jones, Michael: *The American Research Center in Egypt Project to Clean and Conserve the Mural Paintings from Saqqara and Bawit in the Coptic Museum* 6:00 Nageh, Ashraf: *Notes on the Conservation of the Churches of Old Cairo*

6:30 **Resolutions**

7:30 Dinner

Thursday, February 12

7:30 Breakfast

8:30 Travel, visit to the Monastery of the Syrians: guided by Karel Innemée.

Lunch basket

Travel to Cairo

Dinner